

The Ivy League Notes

October 2004



4th ID Association Iron Horse Chapter and Giftshop

The local chapter had a very successful membership meeting, where over 50 new members signed up. Our chapter membership now stands at 300 and growing daily. Just a note: When you fill out an application, please send it in to the local chapter. All applications sent to national – stay a national-only member, unless you fill out a transfer form. A new executive board was also elected into office, congratulations to the new board. There are committee openings for spouses as well, so anyone interested, please contact the Executive Vice President, Mike Gawkins, 288-7500.

The Gift Shop is now taking orders for Christmas Gift items and unit pins, and is planning their Grand Re-Opening Ceremony for the first part of November. The Gift Shop is setting up volunteer hours for those interested in helping out a few hours per week, some hours will begin next week. If you have not already given your name and number to Sherri MacWillie, you can call or e-mail me at 554-4117 or sherrirose@macwillieclan.com

A HUGE THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR THEIR PATIENCE AND SUPPORT AS THE GIFT SHOP FINISHES GOING THROUGH THE FINAL STATE OF TEXAS PAPERWORK.

Steadfast and Loyal!

AAFFS

Increase in post movie theater price.
Adults was \$3.50 now \$3.75
Children was \$1.50 now \$1.75
Children under three -- free.

The first Monday of every month is designated as commander's movie night. There will be a drawing for a free gift, more information to follow.

There is a delay in the opening of the Mega Food Court. It is now scheduled to open in November.

We have a point of contact for the Christmas wrapping. More information to follow.

The next AAFES meeting will be on the 26th of October please forward all of your questions comments and concerns to Brenda Ellis at EllisB5555@aol.com.

AFAP

Fort Hood's AFAP Conference is October 6 and 7 at 8am to 5:30pm. If you have any issues to submit please drop your ideas in any of the AFAP boxes located on post. Thanks for your support in this years' AFAP. If you have any questions please contact Beth at 286-6600.

Army Volunteer Corps Advisory Council (AVCAC)

Make a Difference Day is Saturday, October 23rd. Please continue to review the Project list that will be sent to you electronically on a regular basis. Currently there are about 100 projects identified and about 50 percent of those have been adopted. This month's class on volunteers is entitled "Marketing Your Volunteer Experience". It will be offered on 13 October from 1000-1100 and 14 October from 1730-1830.

Please call 287-VOLS to register for the training. Childcare is available at the Child Development Center for daytime classes.

The Provost Marshall Office (PMO) Community Police Branch will be offering a Halloween House at the Lane Volunteer Center on 30 October.

"The Goblin Factory" will be from ages 10 and under from 1700-1830. The "Haunted House" will be for ages 10 and over from 1930-2130 (Enter at Your Own Risk)

Please see flyer for more specifics. Also the Community Police Branch will also come to FRG meetings and give classes on topics such as self-defense and home security. They are located in the Provost Marshall Office Bldg 23020, on 58th Street and can be reached by phone at 287-5848. They also have a program called the Junior Police Explorer Program for ages 14-18. It is an application process and they take about 20 Junior explorers every 6 months. Please call them at the number listed above to learn more about that program.

Band of Angels

- The Fisher House is once again looking for units to "adopt" the house for a week. Adopting the house entails the following:
 - * spending no more than \$20.00
- * buying assorted breakfast items (i.e. milk, o.j., fresh fruits, cereals, pastries, etc.) and delivering them to the Fisher House Monday morning beginning the week for which the unit has signed up.

the unit can donate \$20.00 directly to Mr. Isaac Howard, the Fisher House manager, and he will purchase the items as needed.

- 2. The Band of Angels will be holding another "Brick Sale" in the near future. Details will be forthcoming.
 - 3. The CFC # for the Fisher House is 5004.

Chapel

Regularly scheduled CHAPEL services:

19Th St. Chapel services: 1100 Gospel

25th St. Chapel services: 1000 Protestant (Traditional)

33rd St. Chapel services: mass at 1200 daily, 1700 Saturday, Sundays at 0800, 1000, and 1200 (Spanish)

58th St. Chapel services: 1830 Jewish (Friday), 0900 Orthodox (monthly – first Saturday), 0900 Episcopal, 1100 Protestant (Traditional)

73rd St. Chapel services: 0900 Protestant (Evangelical), 1100 Protestant (Contemporary), 1300 Protestant (Samoan)

Comanche Chapel services: 1100 Protestant (Gospel)

Youth and Support Groups & Religious Education

AWANA: Sunday afternoon bible study for school-age children - call Stacey Wilson at 287-1543

FHJS: Fort Hood Jewish Sisterhood – call Laura Allen at 698-7546 MCCW: Military Council of Catholic Women meet on Wednesday from 0900-

PWOC: Protestant Women of the Chapel meet on Tuesday from 0900-1200 and also Monday evening. Free licensed childcare is provided. Call Sherry

Sunday School: Sunday School meets at Smith Middle School from 0900 to 1030 every Sunday. For more information, call Stacey Wilson at 287-1543 CCD (Catholic); meets at 0930 and 1800 Sundays at Comanche Chapel. For more information contact Gaby Fulkerson at 287-1541

MCYM: Military Community Youth Ministries Club Beyond – Junior and Senior High School Christian Youth Group meets Wednesdays at Comanche Chapel. MCYM meets from 1830-1930 for fellowship and praise, followed by a bible study from 1930-2030. Call Johnnie Russell at 338-4322 or Suzanne Mayfield at 698-7276

Cookbook

We are quickly approaching our deadline, 22 OCT, and still need more recipes. Please send them to Kim at ksmckean@earthlink.net

They can come in any format, as part of the e-mail, a word attachment, on the form (if you have it) or hand written and I will be glad to make arrangements to collect them. I know we really want to provide a super product but at present we only have half as many recipes as the first book does. Also, remember the presale price (\$13.00) will only last until the 22nd of November then it goes up to \$15.00.

Commissary

They have preordered the turkeys for the holidays at a great price. They will be available in all shapes and sizes for 39 cents per pound.

Cannot recall the brand name...but it is a high quality turkey.

Also, they are increasing the Organic food section so this should make more Soy products available.

The commissary is also going to start having weekend sidewalk sales. This should be starting soon. The plan is to have them approximately twice a month

The commissary does have a student hire program if anyone is interested. The website gives guidance on the hiring process for students and anyone else that is interested. www.commissaries.com.

Community Services Council September 22, 2004

Volunteers – 4 ID had a 1-10 CAV spouse receive Volunteer of the Month Award!

Make a Difference Day – To be held on 23 OCT, projects still need adopting!

AAFES – 4 OCT – Picnic Palace will be open 24/7. 3Corps Shoppette on 761st & Hood is now closed for renovation. Next Council meeting is 26 OCT at 13:30 on 80th and Santa Fe St.

Clear Creek & Warrior Way Commissaries – LOTS of Candy on Sale, please buy!

- -Columbus Day CC is closed, but WW is open.
- -WW needs part time cashiers, call Ms. Ramiro at 287-8025
- --Commissary has the best prices in town, average of almost 30% savings compared to others.

Education - See flyers for AER Scholarships, Computer Skills Class, Degree Completion briefing, and Excelsior College visit. Graduation for Anyone who completed a college certificate,

associate/bachelor's/master's/doctorate degree during the past year is welcome to participate in Fort Hood's annual commencement: 18 November 2004 at 1300 at Howze Auditorium. Please contact a graduation committee member at 287-7337/1771 for an application and more information. Deadline to apply is 15 OCT.

DMWR - Info. sent on line. Have paper copies if anyone needs them.

Internet Access at Casey Memorial Library - Computers are ALL on line now! Spam, viruses, and worms have been a problem. AKO has been updated and is refusing ALL emails without subject line information.

Household Hazardous Material Reuse Program - See flyer. This is a new program and a great idea to save us all money and to keep hazardous materials from being dumped in trash with each move.

KISD - Alert: by now everyone has received some information regarding current immunizations. Previously, Killeen could still allow children to attend schools without update immunizations with the promise that the parents would have students receive them. Now with the Texas Heath Dept. in charge, students can NO LONGER attend classes unless their immunizations are current. This means that students will be removed from school if they are not current. (Do not have the deadline date, but think in terms of ASAP!) Schools have sent out information, Flyers have been distributed on line, and clinics will be held to help get kids current.

Halloween Hours and Safety - see flyer!

Voting Assistance - Federal Voting Assistance Program is designed to assist all military and family members. All units have a trained Voting Assistance Officer (VAO). VAO's have Federal Post Card Applications for registering and requesting absentee ballots. Web site: 222.fvap.gov. Fort Hood POC is Joe Holman at 287-8986.

Layette - Updated schedule coming soon.

MCEC

The first meeting of the MCEC Local Action Committee was 16 September. Immunization requirements for children attending school in the state of Texas were discussed. For more information contact KISD Health Services at 501-0378 or visit the Texas Department of Health website at www.tdh.state.tx.us/ImmunizeTexas.com. Education concerns can be brought to the local action committee. Our Fort Hood liaison is Mr. Fred Chavez (288-7946) or fred.chavez@hood.army.mil. The next meeting is 28 October.

For great ideas about helping your military child transition from school to school contact the local MCEC office at 953-1923.

NMFA serves as an advocate for military families and continues to lobby Congress on important matters that affect our families. For information, or to join NMFA, go to nmfa.org.

Come celebrate Oktoberfest on Tuesday, 19 October. There will be a beer tasting conducted by The Fredericksburg Brewing Company! Also, OWC's Make a Difference Day project is providing food items for the Killeen Food Center. Along with this project is a contest among the brigades or separate units for the most creative table decoration using the non-perishable food items collected by the respective units. Centerpieces must be constructed before the luncheon and consist of non-perishable food items. Only your imagination is your limit! Also, the brigades or separates with the most attendees will receive a significant price break on the commemorative OWC salsa bowl.

Mark your calendars for the OWC Bazaar on Sat., 6 Nov. at Abrams Gym. Contact Beth Philyaw at c12wife@yahoo.com to volunteer.

Our November luncheon is the "Little Black Dress", on 16 November. If you are an OWC member and would like to participate in the skit for this luncheon, please contact Kim McKean at ksmckean@earthlink.net

For information about using the Child Care option for luncheons, please contact Lisa McGrath at Imcgrath@hot.rr.com

Santa's Workshop

Sherri MacWillie - 554-4117 or sherrirose@macwillieclan.com

Thank you to everyone for selling their Santa Bucks. The fundraiser will stay open until December 24th, so keep selling those bucks! You can turn in your bucks with names and units filled out to Sherri MacWillie at the Ivy League Meetings, or call and make arrangements for more bucks or turn-in at 554-4117.

If anyone is interested in being an elf to help the soldiers during their

appointments, please call, 287-TOYS.

The Adopt-a-Child Program is also in full swing. With your \$25 donation, you can provide a brighter holiday for a child.

Each year Santa's Workshop provides toys to thousands of children of Fort Hood Soldiers. Your generosity goes a long way! Thank you!

Thrift Shop

The Fort Hood Area Thrift Shop is a nonprofit organization that provides our community with the opportunity to donate, consign or purchase household items. Volunteers are needed!

Location: Bldg. 50003 between the Clear Creek PX Garden Center and Fort Hood National Bank

Hours of Operation for Shopping: Tues/Thurs 9am-3pm; Wed 9am-4pm; 1st/3rd Sat 9am-2pm

Consignment Hours: Tues/Wed/Thurs 10am-12:45pm; 1st/3rd Sat 10am-11:45pm

Contact: HOODTHRIFTSHOP@AOL.COM or 532-2948

*Note: Due to space constraints, the thrift shop does not have a designated charity section. However, all profits are returned to the community in the way of contributions to local groups and organizations. Donations of usable items, wrapping materials, and plastic and paper bags are welcome. For your convenience, there is a drop box located in the rear of the building. POC: Edwina Gore (718-9614).

Calendar

October

- Ivy League, 0930-1100, IRC
- Army Family Action Plan Conference 6-7
- III Corps Training Holiday
- Lampasas Herb & Art Festival 9
- Columbus Day 11
- 13
- Shades of Ivy Division Hail and Farewell 15
- Oktoberfest, FHOC 14-17
- Copperas Cove Heritage Festival, Ogletree Gap 16-17
 - Make A Difference Day
- 23 27 Community Service Council
- 27 **Devines Luncheon**
- 29 Retreat Ceremony IHO Retirees
- 30 Retiree Day 31
 - Halloween
- Daylight Savings Time Ends

November

- Ivy League 1900, IRC
- Lampasas City-Wide Garage Sale
- 23d Annual OWC Holiday Bazaar 6 Belton Veteran's Day Parade
- 10 Nature in Lights VIP Reception
- Veteran's Day 11
- III Corps Training Holiday 12
- Community Service Council IH 13, 1900, Taiwan Dragon 17
- 19
- 22 Santa's Workshop Grand Opening
- 23 25 Retirement Ceremony
- Thanksgiving Day III Corps Training Holiday 26
- 30 **Devines Luncheon**

December

- Ivy League 0930-1100, IRC
- Lampasas Carol of Lights
- Copperas Cove Christmas Parade 1000
- 4 4 5 Belton Mayor's Christmas Tree and Electric Light Parade 1700
- Handel's Messiah, 1500, Howze Theater
- Tree Lighting Ceremony, 1715, VFH
- Temple Christmas Parade, 1830 Downtown Temple
- 4ID(M) Birthday
- GKCC Chamber Christmas Parade 1630, Downtown Killeen
- 1st BCT Holiday Ball 1800, Killeen Civic and Convention Center 16
- 18 4ID Holiday Ball, 1800, FHOC
- 20 -3 Jan 05 Holiday Half-Day Schedule
- 24 Christmas Eve
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 III Corps Training Holiday
- 31 New Year's Eve

January

- New Year's Day
- III Corps Training Holiday
- MLK Celebration 1330, Post Chapel 13
- 14 III Corps Training Holiday
- Community Service Council, 0930-1030, CEC 26
- 29 Fort Hood Area Volunteer Childcare Fund Chocolate and Coffee